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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed October 12, 2006. The Examiner has restricted the claims into two groups, Group I, claims 1-33 and Group II, claim 34. Applicants elect Group I, Claims, 1-33.

An election of species requirement has also been made. Applicants elect Group a. Ketones: including beta-keto amides, beta-keto esters, activated ketones, the compounds I, II and III of claim 16, and aldehydes.

Claims readable on the elected group and species are believed to be claims 1-23.

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Applicants believe this response to be complete in all respects. However, if the Examiner believes that clarification, further election, or further discussion is required, she is invited to telephone applicants attorney at the number given below.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minor errors, she is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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